GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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SATELLITE BASED COMMUNICATION AT AIRPORTS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to formulate a plan for satellite based communication and monitoring system in respect of air operation for Air Traffic Management; and

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith total cost involved therein?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN)
(a) & (b) :- Yes, Sir. Airports Authority of India (AAI) isalready using Satellite based Communication for extension ofVery High Frequency (VHF) coverage over the Bay of Bengaland Arabian Sea through Remote Control Air-Ground VHF. AAIhas planned for implementation of Dedicated Satellite Communication Network for inter connecting 80 Airports in the country to support all operational communication requirements for Air Traffic Services at an approximate cost of Rs.58 crores.